

## Amendments to the Claims:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (currently amended) A stand for flower arrangement comprising a frame ~~and~~ having a top surface ~~attached to said frame~~, said top surface having at least one opening ~~therein~~, each of said at least one opening being sized and spaced to permit a flower holder used to arrange flowers to be removably received therein.
2. (currently amended) The stand of claim 1, wherein the frame further has legs extending downwardly from said top surface, said legs being longer than a portion of the flower holder received in said at least one opening.
3. (original) The stand of claim 2, wherein the legs are foldable.
4. (original) The stand of claim 1, wherein said top surface has a plurality of openings.
5. (currently amended) The stand of claim ~~[[4]]~~ 1, wherein the flower holder has an upper portion and a lower portion with a handle formed at the lower portion, and the at least one opening receives the upper portion of the flower holder and allows the lower portion to pass therethrough ~~openings are linearly arranged.~~
6. (currently amended) The stand of claim 1, wherein each of the at least one opening has a diameter of about 2 to about 4 inches.

7. (currently amended) The stand of claim 1, wherein the frame is made of ~~PVC~~ polyvinyl chloride pipe.

8. (currently amended) The stand of claim 1, wherein said top surface is made of ~~flexiglass~~ acrylic.

9. (original) The stand of claim 4, wherein the openings are separated from each other by about 5 to about 8 inches.

10. (currently amended) A method for arranging flower bouquets comprising: providing a stand having a frame ~~with~~ having a top surface, said top surface having at least one opening therein; inserting a flower holder in ~~each of the~~ at least one openings opening; and arranging flowers on the flower holder.

11. (original) The method of claim 10, wherein the frame further has legs extending downwardly from the top surface.

12. (original) The method of claim 11, wherein the legs are foldable.

13. (original) The method of claim 10, wherein the flower holder has an upper portion and a lower portion with a handle formed at the lower portion, and the at least one opening receives the

upper portion of the flower holder and allows the lower portion to pass therethrough openings  
~~are linearly arranged on the top surface.~~

14. (original) The method of claim 10, wherein each opening has a diameter of 2 inches.

15. (original) The method of claim 10, wherein the frame is made of PVC pipe.

16. (currently amended) The method of claim 10, wherein the top surface is made of  
~~flexiglass~~ acrylic.

17. (original) The method of claim 10, wherein the openings are separated from each other by  
about 5 to about 8 inches.

18. (new) A combination stand and flower holder for flower arrangement, the combination  
comprising: a stand having a top surface with at least one opening therein, and a flower holder  
removably received in said at least one opening for receiving flowers.

19. (new) The combination of claim 18, wherein the flower holder has an upper portion and  
a lower portion with a handle formed at the lower portion, and the at least one opening receives  
the upper portion of the flower holder and allows the lower portion to pass therethrough.

20. (new) The combination of claim 18, wherein the stand further having legs extending downwardly from said top surface, said legs being longer than a portion of the flower holder received in said at least one opening.